



CHRIST

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TUSCALOOSA

Dear Christ Church Family,

I wanted to update you on where we are in the Rector search process. The Self-study committee will now begin compiling the responses from the survey to begin putting together our parish profile. If you missed the survey we have another opportunity for you to provide feedback.

On March 24th and 25th the self-study committee is hosting Holy Conversations, three meeting times where you can talk to the committee about what you would like to see in our next rector. We are offering two in person meeting times and one Zoom option. In person meeting times are **Wednesday, March 24th at 5:15** and **Thursday, March 25th at noon**. The **Zoom option is Thursday, March 25th at 5:15**. Please click on the links to sign up.

As you know, David and Catherine's last Sunday with us will be June 6th. The Vestry is seeking an interim rector to provide pastoral care and to lead our services after they leave. We are working closely with the Bishop and the Clergy Transition Officer to call an interim.

Calling an interim rector is an important part of the search process. Calling an interim rector is designed to be a cleansing period for the parish, from our current rector David to whomever we call as our next rector. It is fair process for both David and the new rector. Calling an interim rector is in no way a reflection on our search process. The Diocese estimates calling a rector can take anywhere from 12-20 months. With the work we have done so far we are on schedule.

I will continue to provide updates as they become available. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions. I ask that you continue to keep the search committees and the vestry in your prayers.

Sincerely,

Heyward Gould

Extending the loving embrace of our Lord

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